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WEST JORDAN COURTHOUSE FACT SHEET

Building Owner: State of Utah

Delivery System: CMGC (Construction Management General Contractor), guaranteed maximum price. CMGC means a facility is built at the same time it is designed, however, the architect works for the state rather than for the general contractor, as is the case in design build.

Architects: GSBS Architects

Contractor: Okland Construction

Date Const. Began: October 2003

Occupancy: June 2005

Project Cost: \$21.3 million for construction, project fees, site development, and land purchase. The cost was offset by the sale of the Sandy Courthouse for \$3.5 million and an 18-month agreement with Sandy City that allowed the court to remain in the courthouse rent free, except for utilities and general maintenance expenses.

Square Footage: 123,100 square feet

Floors: Three floors

Parking: Surface parking

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Court Rooms:	District-4 finished, 2 unfinished Juvenile-5 finished, 1 unfinished The courthouse is expandable to the east by four additional courtrooms.
Office Space:	Offices include support space for district and juvenile courts, juvenile probation, Guardian ad Litem, and the District Attorney. Having the District Attorney's office co-located at the courthouse will facilitate processing of cases. (Ogden also has a DA's office in the courthouse, but on a smaller scale.)
Security:	The Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office will provide building and bailiff security for the courthouse. The courthouse has a secured holding facility for in-custody movement of prisoners. The public entrance will have a built-in directional structure to direct individuals more efficiently. The structure will help facilitate two lines in order to diminish the wait during peak periods.
Heating:	The West Jordan facility will be the only courthouse in the state to implement geothermal heating, which is projected to be 20 percent more economical. Individual heat pumps are located throughout the building.
Finish Materials	Exterior: brick and stone, copper roof for classical signature element above the entrance. Interior: cherry wood with stainless steel accents in the courtrooms. Wanes coat and floor tile in public areas to implement life-cycle improvements and courthouse prototype design.
Technology:	All courtrooms include digital audio recording for purposes of record keeping. Upgraded sound systems have been installed for this purpose. In addition, the juvenile courtrooms are wired to provide video conferencing directly with the Salt Lake County Juvenile Detention Center for the purpose of conducting video detention hearings.
Landscaping	Landscape based on Federal Defensible Building Design Standards
Community Redevelopment:	The West Jordan Courthouse is part of a West Jordan community redevelopment effort and will consolidate public services. This consolidation effort allows the public better access to services. In addition, West Jordan City has plans to expand the adjacent public park.